

Maryland Clean Energy Incentive Act New Point-of-Purchase Tax Incentives for Marylanders

State **sales tax** (5%) will be removed on the following purchases:

Product	Performance Requirement	Purchases on or after--	Purchases before--
Clothes washer	Energy Star	July 1, 2000	July 1, 2003
Room air conditioner	Energy Star	January 1, 2001	July 1, 2004
Refrigerator (standard size)	Energy Star	July 1, 2001	July 1, 2004
Central air conditioner	SEER 13.5 or above	July 1, 2000	July 1, 2004
Heat pump (electric)	SEER 13.5 or above, and HSPF 7.5 or above	July 1, 2000	July 1, 2004
Heat pump (natural gas)	Coefficient of performance: Heating: 1.25 or above, and Cooling: 0.70 or above	July 1, 2000	July 1, 2004
Hot water heater (electric heat pump)	Energy factor 1.7 or above	July 1, 2000	July 1, 2004
Hot water heater (natural gas)	Energy factor 0.65 or above	July 1, 2000	July 1, 2004
Fuel cell	Electricity-only generation efficiency over 35%, and generating capacity of 2 kW or above	July 1, 2000	July 1, 2004

State **titling tax** (5%) will be reduced on the following purchases of qualified vehicles:

Vehicle	Power Technology	Tax Reduction	Purchases on or after--	Purchases before--
Electric vehicles	Rechargeable batteries, or Fuel cells	Up to \$2,000	July 1, 2000	July 1, 2004
Hybrid vehicles	Gasoline or diesel combustion, <i>and</i> rechargeable energy storage system	Between \$125 and \$1,500.	July 1, 2000	July 1, 2004

For a list of qualified products by make and model, visit the web site of the Maryland Energy Administration at www.energy.state.md.us after July 1, 2000.

Maryland Clean Energy Incentive Act New Income Tax Incentives for Marylanders

State **income tax** will be reduced by a tax credit for the purchase and installation of the following **Solar Energy** equipment:

Solar Equipment	Amount of Tax Credit	Placed in service on or after--	Placed in service before--
Photovoltaic systems	15% of total installed cost, up to \$2,000	July 1, 2000	January 1, 2005
Solar hot water systems	15% of total installed cost, up to \$1,000	July 1, 2000	January 1, 2005

State **income tax** will be reduced by a tax credit for the production and sale of electricity from the following sources of **Renewable Energy**:

Renewable Energy source	Amount of Tax Credit	Placed in service on or after--	Placed in service before--
Wind	0.85 cents per kWh	January 1, 2001	January 1, 2005
Methane from Landfills or Wastewater Treatment Plants	0.85 cents per kWh	January 1, 2001	January 1, 2005
Biomass	0.85 cents per kWh	January 1, 2001	January 1, 2005
Biomass co-fired with coal	0.5 cents per kWh attributable to biomass	Initiated co-firing on or after January 1, 2001	Initiated co-firing before January 1, 2005

All renewable energy production tax credits will be available for 10 years from the date of initial production of electricity from renewable energy.